Photo 1: Japanese snow trenches near the top of Fishhook Ridge and overlooking the pass from Holtz Bay to Chichagof Harbor, May 1943. American troops had to climb these snowfields against an unseen enemy.





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This photograph was taken after the American occupation. On the ground just above the beach proper, the Japanese had located a battery of six 70mm duo-purpose, anti-aircraft and field artillery guns. The gun positions and the effective use of camouflage can be seen. Across the creek and to the left of the bridge, Japanese caves and a partially camouflaged building are visible.